

A PROCLAMATION HONORING COACH ROBERT MOSER FOR COACHING THE HILAND HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM TO WINNING THE GIRLS' DIVISION IV STATE BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP.

HON. ZACHARY T. SPACE

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 3, 2008

Mr. SPACE. Madam Speaker:

Whereas, Coach Robert Moser showed hard work and dedication to the sport of basketball; and

Whereas, Robert Moser was a leader and mentor for the Hiland High School Girls' Basketball Team; and

Whereas, Coach Moser has been a role model for sportsmanship on and off of the court; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That along with his friends, family, and the residents of the 18th Congressional District, I congratulate Coach Robert Moser for leading the Hiland High School Girls' Basketball Team to winning the Girls' Division IV State Basketball Championship. We recognize the tremendous hard work and leadership he has demonstrated during the 2007–2008 Basketball season.

RECOGNIZING JEFFREY SCOTT MOON FOR HIS SERVICE TO THE CITY OF ORANGE BEACH, ALABAMA

HON. JO BONNER

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 3, 2008

Mr. BONNER. Madam Speaker, it is with great pride and pleasure that I rise to honor the distinguished career of Jeffrey Scott Moon and recognize his service to the city of Orange Beach, Alabama over the past 7 years.

The past 7 years for Orange Beach, as Charles Dickens would say, were the best of times and the worst of times. The city has experienced unprecedented economic growth, but in 2004, Hurricane Ivan struck and devastated the Alabama Gulf Coast. The steady hand of Jeff Moon helped guide the city through these ups and downs. His leadership and friendship will certainly be missed.

As city administrator, Jeff oversaw the planning and construction of 10 city facilities including the recreation center, aquatics center, tennis center, teen center, senior center, and fire station 2. He was instrumental in the planning and acquisition of properties for the city of Orange Beach, including the Orange Beach Golf Center, Medical Arts Complex, and Orange Beach Commerce Park. Jeff also helped guide the recovery and rebuilding efforts in Orange Beach following Hurricane Ivan in 2004. He worked to establish a professional team of skilled employees who serve the city of Orange Beach, a staff that doubled in size from about 150 to 300 employees during his tenure.

Jeff's hard work doesn't end at the office. From coaching youth basketball, softball and soccer to teaching Sunday school classes for high school students at First Baptist Church Orange Beach to volunteering as a cook and

a concession stand worker, Jeff is involved in all facets of life in Orange Beach.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing a dedicated community leader and friend to many throughout south Alabama. I know his family, his wife, Nancy; their children, Kayla, Cheyenne, and Chason; and his many friends join me in praising his accomplishments and extending thanks for his service over the years on behalf of the city of Orange Beach and the state of Alabama.

On behalf of a grateful community, I wish him the best of luck as he heads to Woodstock, Georgia, to serve as the city manager.

MARIAM IBDAIWI

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 3, 2008

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Mariam Ibdaiwi, who has received the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth Award. Mariam Ibdaiwi is a senior at Arvada High School and received this award because her determination and hard work have allowed her to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Mariam Ibdaiwi is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential that students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic that will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations once again to Mariam Ibdaiwi for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth Award. I have no doubt she will exhibit the same dedication she has shown in her high school career to her college career and future accomplishments.

CONGRATULATING A AND M EXCAVATING, INC.

HON. MICHAEL C. BURGESS

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 3, 2008

Mr. BURGESS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to commend A and M Excavating, Inc. of Lewisville, Texas, for its involvement in the Texas Emissions Reduction Program (TERP). By participating in TERP, A and M Excavating was given the opportunity to replace four of its trucks.

A and M Excavating was awarded four rebates to upgrade its aging dump trucks to a modern, more efficient fleet. This constructive move by A and M will give it a competitive edge among competitors while preventing 26,7542 tons of nitrogen oxides from polluting our North Texas skies over the next 7 years.

The Texas Emissions Reduction Program presents businesses with the opportunity to "go green" by trading in their vehicles for cleaner, more economical diesel engines. TERP provides rebates and grants to help replace aging diesel engines that consume more fuel and generate more pollution than newer models.

All together, North Texas businesses have accumulated more than \$3.3 million in savings

and cut down pollution by nearly 353 tons to date. The rebates and grants offered by TERP set a positive example of the benefits of replacing and modifying older diesel engines for the Nation.

Madam Speaker, I am privileged to represent such an environment-savvy and cost-conscious company in Texas' 26th Congressional District. I am certain that A and M Excavating's involvement in the Texas Emissions Reduction Program will encourage other area businesses to apply for the program in the future.

CAFÉ 2115—ANOTHER GREAT ADDITION TO HARLEM CUISINE

HON. CHARLES B. RANGEL

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 3, 2008

Mr. RANGEL. Madam Speaker, today I would like to introduce and recognize Café 2115 in my home community, an example of the dining and retail renaissance in Harlem, and to enter into the RECORD an article from New York CaribNews for the week ending March 4, 2008, "Harlem's Finest with African Flavor."

Café 2115, recently opened at 2115 Frederick Douglas Boulevard, blends traditional African dishes with American fare and other delicacies from around the world. The owner, Abe Fofanah is a native of Sierra Leone, who came to the United States in 1998.

People who live in Harlem now have multiple options for shopping and dining that do not require them to leave the community. This is but one example of the richness of new restaurants and retail outlets that are opening in the 15th Congressional District on a daily basis. There is a renaissance occurring in Harlem.

HONORING THE RETIRED AND SENIOR VOLUNTEER PROGRAM OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY

HON. JIM GERLACH

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, April 3, 2008

Mr. GERLACH. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the 35 years of astounding community service provided by the citizen volunteers of the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) of Montgomery County, Pennsylvania.

RSVP was established for the purpose of creating opportunities for engagement, activity, and growth for older Americans. Through an amendment of the Older Americans Act, RSVP began as a nationwide program in 1969. The Montgomery County, Pennsylvania Chapter has been active since 1973.

With over 1,300 active volunteers assisting 300 non-profit organizations in Montgomery County, RSVP has become an invaluable resource. RSVP's volunteers serve to assist fellow citizens in a wide variety of activities. Their dedication to the community has greatly enhanced and contributed to an improved quality of life for thousands of citizens living in Montgomery County.